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Dear Citizens,

This month, I'd like to highlight the HEB Teen Court, which is a wonderful program that allows juveniles



with Class C misdemeanors an alternative to the criminal justice system. After successful completion of the program, their cases are dismissed and do not appear as a conviction on their record.

Teen and adult volunteers are key to the success of Teen Court. The teenagers serve as attorneys, bailiffs and clerks, while the adults assist during court sessions as jury monitors and judges. Together they help defendants take responsibility for their actions. And, as a result of their service, the teen volunteers learn public speaking skills, interviewing techniques and administrative skills. Last semester's teen volunteers even went "above and beyond." They created an excellent video about the Teen Court experience.

You are welcome to observe any Teen Court session. You'll find more information about Teen Court at this website: www.eulesstx.gov/teencourt

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COMMUNITY NEWS



False Alarms

False alarms have become a great concern for law enforcement agencies everywhere. In the last twelve months, the Euless Police Department responded to over 1,245 false alarms. While police are responding to alarms that turn out to be false, they are less available to respond to alarms that are valid.

In order to reduce the number of false alarms, the Euless City Council approved an ordinance in August of 2009 that requires anyone with an alarm (businesses and residences) to have a permit and spells out penalties for those who do not have a permit.

A yearly registration is required for alarm permit holders. The residential alarm fee is \$30 (fee is waived if the permit holder is 65 or older) and the business alarm fee is \$100. Applications can now be renewed online through PM/AM Corp by visiting www.famspermit.com/eulesss or by calling 888-387-7034.

Your Alarm Permit is good for one year and will expire on the last day of the month your permit was issued. If you already have an alarm permit in Euless, you will receive a letter in the mail with your renewal date. There is a fine for operating an alarm system without a permit.

We hope this ordinance will encourage alarm users to properly use and maintain their systems so they will reduce or eliminate false alarms. False alarms consume officer time, waste fuel, increase the risk of accidents and, over time, reduce the quality of police service to other areas with a greater need for officer presence. Our goal is to make Euless a safer place to live for all of our citizens.

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Historical Preservation Committee: Keeping History Alive

Have you ever taken a tour of Heritage Park, walked across the Old Iron Bridge or gazed at the trees in the Historic Tree Grove? If so, then you have seen firsthand some of the wonderful work that the Historical Preservation Committee does.

The mission of the Euless Historical Preservation Committee is to preserve and promote an awareness of the historical heritage of the area and to demonstrate how it defines current culture and provides a bridge between yesterday, today and tomorrow. The Committee works to preserve and protect the culture, genealogy, archives, structures and historical treasures of the City.

Volunteers are an essential part of this committee. If you would like more information about becoming a volunteer for the Historical Preservation Committee, please call Suzy McCormick at 817-919-1008.



National Night Out

Tuesday, October 5, 6:00-9:00 p.m.

Turn on your outside lights, lock your doors and spend the evening outside with 38 million people in more than 16,000 communities. Each year on National Night Out, Euless residents proactively deter crime by organizing a variety of special events within their neighborhoods. Get your neighborhood involved in National Night Out to promote police/community partnerships, and learn about crime prevention while building neighborhood unity. Send a message to criminals letting them know your neighborhood is organized, involved and fighting back.

The Euless Police and Fire Departments invite all neighborhoods in Euless to get together and join with the police and the nation to “take a bite out of crime.” You can request a visit by representatives of the Fire Department at 817-685-1600 or the Police Department at 817-685-1536.





Public Safety Open Houses

Saturday, October 2

*Police & Courts,
1102 W. Euless Blvd.
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.*

*Fire Station #3,
202 S. Main St.
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.*



Join the Euless Police and Fire Departments as they host Open Houses. Take advantage of this rare opportunity to take a tour, climb in and out of police cars and fire trucks and ask questions about the facilities. There will be many activities for children, including bounce houses and safety demonstrations, along with members of the Citizen Emergency Response Team, Citizen's Fire and Police Academy Alumni and Citizens on Patrol. Plus, visit with clowns from the S.A.F.E.T.Y. Troop. These events are free, and everyone is invited.



CPR Blitz Volunteers Needed

October 15 - 16, 8 a.m.

6 Stones Campus West, 209 N. Industrial

The City of Euless has revitalized over 239 homes since the inception of the Community Powered Revitalization (CPR) program. You are invited to join the dozens of volunteers to help struggling homeowners make necessary repairs to their houses or yards. Volunteers are assigned a home at check in. A light breakfast and lunch is provided. Please bring gloves, ladders, rakes, shovels and push brooms if you have them.

Register online at www.6stones.org/cprvolunteer and fill out a volunteer waiver ahead of time.



GAP Club Adoption Event & Bazaar

Saturday, October 2, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

*Euless Animal Shelter
1517 Westpark Way*

Trinity High School's Girls Awareness Program (GAP) and the Euless Animal Shelter are hosting an adoption and fundraising event. During this time, dogs and cats of all ages will be available for adoption for a nominal fee. There will also be pet accessories available for purchase to help raise funds for the shelter.

This is your chance to open your heart to a deserving pet and maybe find some pet supplies at bargain prices. (Vaccinations not available during this event.) For more information, call 817-689-4740 or visit www.TrinityGapRescue.org.



Halloween Trunk or Treat

Saturday, October 30, 4 - 6 p.m.

*Euless Family Life Center Parking Lot
300 W. Midway Drive*

Businesses, churches, civic groups, as well as Boy and Girl Scout troops, are invited to participate in the City of Euless Parks and Community Services Department's Halloween Trunk or Treat Celebration. Reserve your parking spot, grab a bunch of your favorite candy and hand them out to the over 1,000 kids who attend this free event.

Parking spots go quickly, so reserve yours today. Please call Chance Boyd at 817-685-1814 or e-mail him at cboyd@eulesstx.gov for more information.



“Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety!”TM

Fire Prevention Week October 3 - 9

The Euless Fire Department is teaming up with the National Fire Protection Association® (NFPA®) — the official sponsor of Fire Prevention Week for more than 90 years — to promote this year’s Fire Prevention Week campaign, “Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety!”

Is your smoke or carbon monoxide alarm beeping or chirping? What do those sounds mean? Knowing the difference can save you, your home and your family. Make sure everyone in the home understands the sounds of the smoke and carbon monoxide alarms and knows how to respond. Learn the sounds of your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms by checking the user guide or searching the brand and model online.

Smoke Alarms

- A continued set of three loud beeps — beep, beep, beep — means smoke or fire. Get out, call 9-1-1 and stay out.
- A single “chirp” every 30 or 60 seconds means the battery is low and must be changed.
- All smoke alarms must be replaced after 10 years.
- Chirping that continues after the battery has been replaced means the alarm is at the end of its life and the unit must be replaced.

Carbon Monoxide (CO) Alarms

- A continuous set of four loud beeps — beep, beep, beep, beep — means carbon monoxide is present in your home. Go outside, call 9-1-1 and stay out.
- A single chirp every 30 or 60 seconds means the battery is low and must be replaced.
- CO alarms also have “end of life” sounds that vary by manufacturer. This means it’s time to get a new CO alarm.
- Chirping that continues after the battery has been replaced means the alarm is at the end of its life and the unit must be replaced.

Make sure your smoke and CO alarms meet the needs of everyone in your home, including those with sensory or physical disabilities. There are smoke alarms and alert devices that alert people who are deaf or hard of hearing. These devices include strobe lights that flash to alert people when the smoke alarm sounds. You can purchase pillow or bed shakers designed to work with your smoke alarm.

Fires and carbon monoxide poisoning can occur anywhere, but are much more likely to occur at home. Share this information with your loved ones, so they will know what to do when an alarm goes off or a fire occurs. For more information, visit www.fpw.org.